IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH
AT HYDERABAD

(Special Original Jurisdiction)

FRIDAY, THE NINETEENTH DAY OF NOVEMBER
TWO THOUSAND AND FOUR

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE C.V.RAMULU

WRIT PETITION NO : 1603 of 1998

Between:

1. K.Venkateswarlu S/o.Narayana, aged 40 years,
2. A.Ramulu S/o.Rajanna, aged 54 years,
3. K.Ramulu S/o.Badraiah, aged 48 years,
4. A.Nageswara Rao S/o.Ramaiah, aged 34 years,
5. Sd.Kareemuddin S/o.Hussain, aged 50 years,
6. S.Samson, S/o.John, aged: 45 years,
7. Abdul Wahab S/o.John Mohd., aged: 40 years,
8. R.Krishna Murthy S/o.Venkatanarayana, aged 40 years,
9. S.Kumara Swamy S/o.Rajanarsu, aged: 34 years,
10. Ch.Vinoda Rao S/o.Premanandam, aged 54 years,
11. K.Sambaiah S/o.Komaraiah, aged 42 years,
12. V.Venkateswarlu S/o.Ramdas, aged: 43 years,
13. Md.Khaja S/o.Afzal, aged: 45 years,
14. R.V.Naidu S/o.Ramaseshaiah, aged…years,
15. Md.Madar S/o.Chand, aged 40 years,

All are R/o.Yellandu, Khammam District.

.... PETITIONERS

AND

1. Singareni Collieries Co.Ltd., rep.by its General Manager(Personal),

Yellandu Area, Khammam District.

2. Agent, K.J.Open cast Mine, Singareni Collieries Co.Ltd., Yellandu, Khammam District.

3. Agent, J.K.(Underground) Mines, Singareni Collieries Co.Ltd., Yellandu, Khammam District.

4. Additional Chief Mining Engineer, 21 & PP, Singareni Collieries Co.Ltd., Yellandu, Khammam District.

...RESPONDENTS

Petition under Article 226 of the constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the Affidavit filed herein the High Court may be pleased to issue an order, direction or writ particularly one in the nature of writ of mandamus or any other appropriate writ declaring the action of the respondents in not allotting the quarters of the Singareni Collieries Co.Ltd., in Yellandu Area in accordance with the Area Seniority as illegal and arbitrary, and consequently direct the respondents to cancel the illegal allotments and provide quarters to employees only on the basis of the area seniority.

Counsel for the Petitioners: MR.G.VIDYASAGAR

Counsel for the Respondents: MR.K.SRINIVASAMURTHY

The Court made the following :

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ORAL ORDER:

The only grievance of the petitioners is that they are the employees of Singareni Collieries Company Limited, and in view of their due seniority, they are entitled for allotment of quarters, but the management has not considered the same. In this regard, they have also made a detailed representation on 4.3.1997, and the same is still pending. In view of the same, without going into the merits of the case, it is suffice to direct the respondents to consider the representation of the petitioners dated 4.3.1997, and dispose of the same as per the circulars and guidelines for allotment of quarters.

Writ petition is disposed of with the above direction. No costs.

19th November, 2004.

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To

1. General Manager (Personal), Yellandu Area, Singareni Collieries Co.Ltd., Khammam District

2. The Additional Chief Mining Engineer, 21 & PP, Singareni Collieries Co.Ltd., Yellandu, Khammam District.

3. Two C.D.copies